

Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here. You can learn more about us via the brochure in the back of the seat in front of you, or at www.firstparishyork.net.

Restrooms: Restrooms are located on the lower level of this building, which is accessed by stairs in the foyer. Wheelchair accessible restrooms can be found across the drive in Fellowship Hall. For access during the worship service, please see a Deacon.

Nursery Care: *Our downstairs nursery is not currently staffed*, but you are welcome to accompany your child to the nursery at any point during the worship and spend time there as a family if you feel that you need to.

Video and Streaming: We stream our worship services live and archive them on www.youtube.com/@firstparishyork. If for privacy reasons you do not wish to have you or your children's faces appear on video, you can sit in pews that are marked on the ends with blue tape. Feel free to ask a deacon to show you what those markings look like.

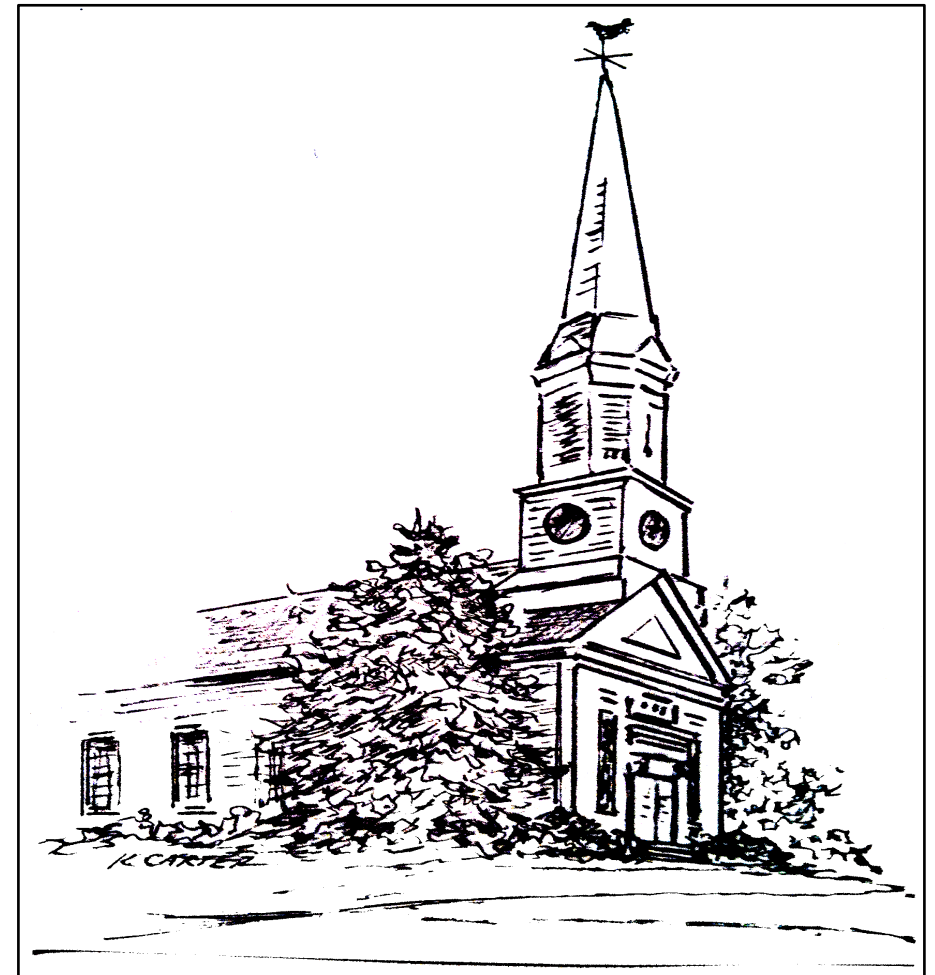
Photos: We regularly take photos for use in media. If you would prefer you or your child's image not be used, please inform a pastor after worship.

Sunday School: During the school year, anyone age 4 through 8th grade is welcome to attend Sunday School. We ask that parents/guardians fill out a registration form on the first visit; our Deacons will be happy to connect you with someone from Sunday School before the children make their way outside. Partway through Sunday services, children are invited to meet with their teachers in the church foyer. Together, students and teachers will make their way to the Fellowship Hall to take part in fun and faith-based activities centered around a theme from the Bible. (Family members are always welcome to attend Sunday School if you wish!) After worship is over, families can go across the drive to sign out their children with the teachers. Sunday School is free of charge.

**No Matter Who You Are or Where You Are On Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here!**

We covenant with God and with one another as members of First Parish Church to be an Open and Affirming Church. We affirm the dignity and worth of every person created in the image of God. We are one body with many members: people of every age, marital status, family structure, faith background, physical and mental ability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, racial and cultural identity, and socio-economic status. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we invite all into the full life, ministry, and sacraments of the church. We honor the guiding principle that discrimination is incompatible with Christ's message of unconditional love.

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**First Parish Church
Congregational
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“I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.” Psalm 121:1-2

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 ~ 10AM WORSHIP
PENTECOST/BAPTISM

**Indicates a time when you are invited to stand if you choose.*

9:45AM HYMN SING

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Eric Dupee

PRELUDE FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

“SPIRIT SONG” Arr., John Carter (b. 1930)

GATHERING PRAYER *(together)*

Terrie Ilaria

O God, help us to put our selfish desires aside and direct our thoughts to you, that your power might fill this church and our lives fully, just as it filled churches and people throughout the ages. Teach us to be your people and remind us to pray as Jesus taught his followers to pray...

LORD’S PRAYER *(together)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** “GOD IS HERE!” *(verses 1-3)* No. 1

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Scott Beckwith and Adriana Phillips

(Children ages 4 and up are invited to go to the church foyer to meet with their Sunday School teachers immediately following the Presentation of Bibles.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Easton Henri Levesque – born June 8, 2023
Son of Meryl Levesque and Dominic Levesque
Jillian Santosuosso and Nicholas Levesque, Godparents

ANTHEM

“WE CAN BEAT THE STORM”

Music: Meredith Tompkins/Words: Louise Phillips

*We can beat the storm, finding hope and calm all around us,
by leading and creating, awakening souls and minds, connecting invisible lines.
In the sun and moon’s bright light, in the beautiful trees blowing in the breeze.
in the rushing waves breaking on the shore, in snowflakes falling on your face.
Joining our voices in song and laughter near and far away.
We are stronger and better together. Let’s all rejoice in joy!
Let’s keep this beauty by showing appreciation,
caring for each other and gratefulness for the little things.
With integrity for humanity, with community spirit.*

Sweet Spirit

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21 N.T. 103

Terrie Ilaria

SERMON

“Under the Influence”

Rev. Eric Dupee

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

“I WILL SING WITH THE SPIRIT”

John Rutter (b. 1945)

*I will sing with the spirit,
and I will sing with the understanding also.*

— 1 Corinthians 14:15

First Parish Sanctuary Choir

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF COMMITMENT** *(together)* No. 34

You are free to sing inclusive lyrics (below) or traditional lyrics (from the hymnal).
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN**

“ON PENTECOST THEY GATHERED”

No. 334

CLOSING BLESSING AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE

“PRAISE AND SING” LANI SMITH (1934-2015)

*We invite the congregation to remain seated in order to enjoy the postlude.
However, you are welcome to exit the sanctuary at any time.*

Flowers given in Honor of our Confirmands from First Parish Church.

THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, June 8th

9:45 Hymn Sing
10am Worship/Pentecost/Baptism
11:15am Out to Lunch Bunch
11:30am Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
8am Cardio/Tone
6pm Fellowship in Action
8:30am Yoga
6:30pm Assessors Meeting
8am Cardio/Strength
9:30am Wednesday Bible Study-Zoom
6:30pm Deacons Meeting
8am Zumba
5pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal with bells
6pm Sweet Spirit Rehearsal
6:30pm Growing the Church Meeting
8am Aerobics
8:45am Handbell Choir warm up
9:00 am Handbells and Sanctuary Choir warm up
9:15am Sanctuary Choir warm up
10am Worship/Trinity Sunday and Music
Appreciation Sunday
3pm Fourth Street Jazz Choir concert – First Parish

Monday, June 9th

Tuesday, June 10th

Wednesday, June 11th

Thursday, June 12th

Friday, June 13th

Sunday, June 15th

Ministers

*All the Members of the Congregation
Leading Worship Today:
Rev. Eric Dupee*

Staff

*Wendell S. Purrington, Director of Music Ministries
Terrie Ilaria, Music Associate
Trey Selenga, Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministries*

First Parish Church Lay Leaders

*Nancy Stevens, Moderator
Jonn Schrimper, Vice Moderator
Ray Hamlin, Treasurer
Susan Mancinelli, Clerk*



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FAITH FEATURES

Coffee Hour: Please come to Fellowship Hall, directly across the one-way road, for refreshments and conversation. All are welcome.

Out to Lunch Bunch: We'll be going out to lunch after the service today. Join us in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall to gather and find out our destination. All are invited. Always fun.

Fellowship In Action: ALL ARE WELCOME! Monday, June 9 at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Refreshments provided!

First Wednesday Food Pantry Drive: Grateful for our volunteers this week, Carolyn Furber and Joy Carl. Thank you to all of our volunteers this year.

Sunday School: Today's lesson will be "Knowing God means Trusting in God". We will continue our study of "Knowing Jesus in a New Way." Your child can meet the Sunday School teachers at the church entrance following the Presentation of the Bibles.

Church Camp: Pilgrim Lodge is a multi-generational summer camp and retreat space operated by the Maine Conference of the United Church of Christ. It is located on the shores of Lake Cobbosseecontee. There are numerous programs and camps for children of all ages running this summer. For information go to www.pilgrimlodge.org

Green Tip/News: With the help of revolutionary technology, the cruise industry charts a greener way forward. The trade group, Cruise Lines International Assoc. that represents most of the industry has pledged to become carbon neutral by 2050. "Biodigesters that naturally "eat" food waste and convert biodegradable food waste to gray water; heat exchangers collecting wasted steam generated by engines into hot water for pools, showers and A/C; aerodynamic retractable sails covered by solar panels planned for Hurtigruten/Norway by 2030. " www.AAA.org